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States Patent Office; and, further, that the use of said Porter's invention involves also a process which I am now claiming before the United States Patent Office, and which has been adjudged to be patentable to the first inventor thereof, and which said W. D. Porter has formally disclaimed, as appears upon the public records of said office, of which an official copy is hereto annexed, and also a copy of his claims.

In the National Intelligencer of the 25th instant Mr. Porter announces that he has secured by patent the "exclusive right to making gas from wood," and threatens prosecution to all parties infringing his patent. I ask how this statement comports with the fact of my patent of December,

comports with the fact of my patent of December, 1851, and how far the threat can intimidate under such circumstances? Mr. Porter's claim is based upon a movable perforated diaphragm, and was so understood by the Patent Office, as it appears from the records of the Patent Office that his claim was at first refused as interfering with a prior patent to Robert Foulis, of Canada, for an equivalent contrivance. This claim, as given below, and in which the perferated diaphragm is the saving clause, is what Mr. Porter calls securing the "exclusive right to making gas from wood."
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Sir. In reply to your letter of this date, asking "if any patent has been granted to W. D. Porter, dated 22d August, 1854, or at any other time, or to any other person or persons, securing to him or them "the exclusive right of making gas from wood," and whether any such claim was made by W. D. Porter, under his application for a patent, which letters patent were issued bearing the above date, you are informed that W. D. Porter's claims are believed to be c nfined to his appara claims are believed to be c finned to his appara-tus; and, further, this office is not aware that a patent has been granted heretofore for the exclu-sive right of making gas from wood. It would, however, be unjustifiable to expect me to make an extended investigation to answer your re

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Extract from Specification of W. D. Porter on which letters patent were issued August 22, 1854.

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describe such conversations in detail; the reader can readily imagine what the scene Terms—One copy one year \$2; two copies one year \$3; four copies one year \$5; nine copies one year, and one to the getter up of the club, \$10; twenty copies one year and one to the getter up of the club, \$20. and their insults had been protracted to the ex-

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Who is safe from such unreasonable searches as that of Monday last? What house is there

Of their proceedings while there, the Boston Advertiser, of the 31st ult., tells the following On the Dedham turnpike, in Roxbury, just beyond Oak street, there is an ordinary house in which a school is kept by seven ladies, Catholic "Sisters of Charity," members of the order of Notre Dame. They have twelve pupils, young ladies between the ages of ten and fifteen, all Americans by birth. These nineteen ladies form the whole household, with the ex-

ception of an Irishman, who is employed about MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON NUNNERIUS. upon a thoroughfare much traveled; it is not secluded in any way from public gaze; the grounds are not surrounded by any barriers, nor does it have any of the characteristics of a monastic institution. The ladies who reside there as teachers are highly cultivated and ac-

TURE.

unteers, 12; number of omnibuses, 2; caterer to the committee, mine host of the Norfolk House; number of the ladies in the school, 19. On Saturday, the article from the Advertiser was read in both branches of the Legislature, and pronounced by the members of the com-mittee to be false in nearly every particular, and a joint committee to investigate the matter was appointed, who were instructed to inquire into all the charges made by the Advertiser. The committee was composed of Messrs. Carpenter and Pierce, of Norfolk, on the part of the Senate; and Messrs. Chapin, King, Wilder, Taft, and Fitch, in the House.

Roxbury, one of whom, Lady Superior, Mary Aloysia, was present at the opening of the was enough sacred or enough protected by re-

> oath to the Lady Superior, after which the statement was read by the chairman of the committee. The statement is mainly the same as that published in the Advertiser. The committee

Superior, who testified as follows:
"I should judge that the committee num-

is scarcely necessary to say that "they foundbers of the Committee entered her chamber I no matter what-it was not that they sought' —unless the object of the visit was simply a "lark" at the expense of the State, in which was present. They bent so closely to her that she has since stated that she felt their breath. case the object was doubtless attained. There I had previously desired the patient to remain quiet, as if asleep, when the Committee enter-ed. While I was conducting a part of the were no nuns immured alive in contracted cells. nor any evidences of abuse of any sort calling Committee, other members of it were going about the house by themselves, examining the Now, we ask the reflecting men and women of Massachusetts—we even appeal to the candor

"I was not present when one of the gentle men took hold of the rosary." Upon being asked if she could describe the gentleman who desired an interview with her, the witness replied that she could not well describe him, but that she could recognize him

Massachusetts in the nineteenth century? Make any allowance you please for exaggeraif she saw him. tions in the story which may have been caused Mr. Evans, of the Senate, was then introduced; whereupon, the witness said that he and does the record stand fair and clear? Is was not the gentleman who requested the insuch the treatment that defenceless women terview, and who gave his name. Subsequently, ought to receive? Is such the behavior of Mr. Hiss, of Boston, was introduced, when the gentlemen in the Legislature? It is only parwitness said that was the gentleman who gave alleled by the stories that have come down of his name as Evans. the insults and excesses of unlicensed soldiers

The Lady Superior was then further ques-tioned by Mr. Charles Hall, jr. Mr. Dawley, of the Senate Committee, then questioned the witness more particularly as to he conduct of the committee on visiting the

nental principles of our government. The bill of rights, which is the first part of the Constichapel. She stated that the members of the tution of Massachusetts, contains this article: Committee, to the number of ten, had opened "Every subject has a right to be secure from the door before she arrived. She had intended all unreasonable seizures of his person, his to have opened the door and admit the Comhouses, his papers, and all his possessions. All warrants, therefore, are contrary to this right, mittee, but the door was opened before she had time to do so, and there were so many gentle-men about the door that she could not enter if the cause or foundation of them be not pre-viously supported by oath or affirmation; and herself. While in the chapel, the gentlemen if the order, in the warrant to a civil officer, to were engaged in loud conversation, which she make search in suspected places, or to seize considered very improper. The lady at her detheir property, be not accompanied with a votions in the chapel was startled when the special designation of the persons or objects of gentlemen entered, and attempted to leave by earch, arrest, or seizure; and no warrant ought a door which she found locked. One of the to be issued but in cases, and with the formaligentlemen asked her several questions which she declined answering in the chapel. The gentleman followed her without the chapel, It would be superflous to point out how this article was violated in every clause by the acwhen the conversation was resumed.

Samuel May, esq., then interrogated the witness as to the scene in the chapel; but her annumbers by its own act? Nothing but a vote swers did not vary materially from her previous

of the Legislature, unsupported by oath or Several other gentlemen then put questions

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Visit of the Legislative Committee to a Convent

duct-Committee of Investigation Appointed Two Sides of the Story.

The Legislature of Massachusetts some days

ult., the members of the committee, accom-panied by some other individuals, repaired to

the convent at Roxbury, which is kept by seven Sisters of Charity of the order of Notre Dame.

the premises as a servant. The house is located

complished, and as much entitled to respect

and courtesy as any in the State. Their pupils

are likewise respectable, and there is not the least evidence that their attendance at school

is forced, that they are subjected to any rigor-ous discipline, or obliged to undergo any sort

Such being the character of this establish-

ment, the nincteen ladies residing therein were surprised on last Monday afternoon to see two

omnibuses drive up to the doors, crowded with passengers, who light and inquire for the

"Lady Superior," and being met by the head of the establishment, the spokesman of the

party informs her that the crowd is a committee

appointed by the Legislature to examine the

ouse. No notification of the visit to be ex-

pected has been served upon the ladies, and they are obliged to take the statement of the

members of the party on their own authority.

We have already seen that the committee ac-

tually appointed by the Legislature consists of

but seven members. We are unable to state the number of the party professing to act as

spect for the common courtesies of civilized

life, to be spared in the examination. The

ladies' dresses hanging in their wardrobes were

tossed over. The party invaded the chapel,

and showed their respect—as Protestants, we presume—for the One God whom all Christians

subjected to questions even more rude-

whether there are boys boarding in the estab

lishment-what punishments they suffer for

misdemeanors, &c. It is scarcely necessary to

The examining party, of course, had every-

thing their own way, and when their searches

tent of their pleasure, they took their leave. It

for legislative interference or even inquiry.

of the eighty thousand voters who put the pres-

ent administration in power-is such a record

as the above fit to form a page in the history of

the free and enlightened Commonwealth of

by the natural fears of the terrified witnesses

Our legislators ought to have a more inti-

nate practical acquaintance with the funda-

tion we have recorded. What was the warrant

of this committee of seven, swelling its own

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as that of Monday last? What house is there in the State, occupied wholly by defenceless women, that may not be the next scene for a frolic of a party of rude men? Let the constituents of any of the gentlemen composing this committee consider how they would relish an invasion of their residences and a disturbance of the privacy of their families by such inquisitorial parties as this.

The revolution was faught in vain if the great American principles of private right and domestic security are now to be set at naught.

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Nearly all the Boston daily newspapers, with the exception of the *Bee*, have remarked in terms of severe censure upon the alleged conduct of the individuals who visited the school in Roxbury. The *Atlas* estimates the number to have been seventeen—all of them members of the Legislature. Its list is as follows:

Senators—Hon. Street Evans, of Essex; Hon. Gibert Pillsbury, of Boston. Represent-atives—Mr. John Littlefield, of Foxboro'; Mr. Joseph Hiss, of Boston; Mr. Nathan Ring, of Middleboro'. VOLUNTEERS-ALL MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLA-

Hon. J. E. Carpenter, of Norfolk; Jerashmeel C. Pratt, of Roxbury; Geo. F. Williams, of Boston; A. E. Stetson, of South Scituate; Abner Holbrook, of Weymouth; Jeremiah Mil-ler, of Ludlow; William B. May, of Roxbury; Joseph H. Streeter, of Roxbury; S. A. Bradbury, of Boston; W. R. Penniman, of Braintree; S. D. Warriner, of West Springfield; John W. Langdon, of Wilbraham.

Total.—Members of the Committee, 5; Vol-

The Nunnery Committee.
Boston, April 10, 1855.—The Legislative peared to be full, were required for their transport, we can only estimate their number at Special Committee, appointed to investigate the charges against the Nunnery Committee, held twenty-four. There may have been a few more an adjourned meeting at the State-house this Nineteen ladies, twelve of them less than morning. At the opening of the meeting, the chairman, Mr. Carpenter, of the Senate, stated fifteen years of age, could not of course oppose any effectual obstacle to the entrance of twentythat he was absent from the Senate Board at four full grown men into a common house, even had the ladies known the rights guaranteed the time of his appointment on the committee, and as he was a party directly interested in the investigation, he deemed it to be his duty to decline serving, which he should do on the them by the constitution and laws of Massaopening of the Senate. He therefore called Legislature by this title-roamed over the to take the chair. The committee had sumwhole house, from attic to cellar. No chamber, moned the ladies connected with the school at no passage, no closet, no cupboard, escaped their vigilant search. No part of the house

meeting.
The Lady Superior was accompanied by Samuel May, esq., who stated that she had with her a statement of the transaction, signed by five ladies, who preside over the school. The Sergeant-at-arms then administered an

worship, by talking loudly with their hats on, while the ladies shrank in terror at the desecration of a spot which they believed hallowed. While in the chapel the ladies declined holdthen proceeded to an examination of the Lady ing any conversation with their persecutors; but in another part of the house the principal

expressed her perfect willingness to answer any questions propounded by "the committee." One of "the gentlemen" accordingly pats her bered about twenty individuals; I attended them in their examination of the house; one of the committee, who gave his name as Mr. affectionately on the back with one hand, turns Evans, tarried after the others had left, and over the rosary suspended round her neck with told me he was a Catholic in St. Mary's Church, the other, and asks her if she is content with her situation, whether she can leave when she Baltimore, and that he desired to return to the pleases? The young ladies were of course Church.

"He asked me if I would give him permission to visit me, saying he would like to have some pleasant conversation with me. I declined giving him permission. He asked if the bishop would object to his visiting me. I told him he would not, though we received but few visitors. He shook hands with me twice, and appeared very familiar. I was much offended at his conduct then, and feel more indignant every time I think of it. "I told the Committee when they entered the

house, that a lady was sick. When the mem-

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